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INTRODUCTION

This publication is a supplement to the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board's 1999 Annual Report. It contains aggregate injury and illness registration, claims and benefits data for 1999. Tables contain data for previous years for comparison where such data is available and appropriate.

The Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) oversees Ontario's workplace health and safety system. The WSIB's vision is the elimination of all workplace injuries and illnesses.

The WSIB administers the province's no-fault workplace insurance for employers and their workers. As part of this system, the WSIB provides loss of earnings benefits, pays for and monitors health care, and assists in early and safe return to work and labour market re-entry for workers who are injured on the job or contract occupational diseases. The WSIB also provides benefits to survivors of workers who die as a result of workplace injuries or illnesses. The WSIB is funded entirely by employer premiums – it receives no funding from the Ontario government.

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CLAIM VOLUMES

Tables 1 to 4

These tables show the claims for benefits that result from workplace injuries and illnesses in Ontario.

Complex claims can take some time to report and process. Data about injuries and illnesses in a given year continues to “mature” after the year has ended as more injuries and illnesses are reported and more claims are processed.

Table 1 lists total numbers of claims by the year they are registered.

Tables 2, 3, and 4 present total numbers of claims according to the year in which the injuries and illnesses occurred. Table 2 provides a snapshot of the number of injuries and illnesses by industry sector and business size for each year as at March 31 of the following year. Table 3 provides a snapshot of claims by claim status for each year as at March 31 of the following year. Table 4 presents injury and illness data for each year as at 15 months after the end of each year, when data is likely to be fully mature. 1999 numbers in Table 4 are estimates.

Employers whose workers are covered by the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act* are categorized as either Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 employers. Schedule 1 employers pay premiums into an insurance fund. Health care and loss of earnings benefits for injured workers are paid for by this fund, which is administered by the WSIB. The majority of Ontario's employers are Schedule 1 employers. Schedule 2 employers are directly liable for the cost of payments for loss of earnings and health care for their workers. Schedule 2 employers include municipal, provincial and federal governments, railways, airlines, and telephone companies.



Table 1: claims registered by year (1990 to 1999)

This table shows the total number of claims registered with the WSIB by year. Some claims are registered with the WSIB after the year in which the injury or illness occurred. This table shows prior-year and current-year injury or illness claim registrations, as well as total registrations for each year.

Numbers include all claims reported to the WSIB for each year: claims allowed, claims not allowed, and claims pending.

	Year of Registration																			
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Injuries and Illnesses in Current Year	433,814	92%	390,115	95%	361,437	96%	351,486	95%	356,236	96%	354,449	95%	327,248	95%	326,932	96%	326,405	95%	346,639	95%
Injuries and Illnesses in Prior Years	39,593	8%	19,831	5%	15,582	4%	16,999	5%	14,208	4%	17,388	5%	18,358	5%	14,246	4%	16,282	5%	17,430	5%
Total Registrations	473,407	100%	409,946	100%	377,019	100%	368,485	100%	370,444	100%	371,837	100%	345,606	100%	341,178	100%	342,687	100%	364,069	100%



Table 2: injuries and illnesses registered by industry sector and business size (1997 to 1999)

In 1997, the WSIB organized its operations into 17 industry sectors (Schedule 2 is a separate industry sector). This table shows injury and illness numbers by industry sector and business size for each year as at March 31 of the following year. All Schedule 2 employers have been included under "large business" on this table (number-of-employees data is not available for Schedule 2 employers).

Industry Sector	Year of injury or illness											
	1997				1998				1999			
	Small Business (Employers with fewer than 20 employees)	Large Business (Employers with 20 or more employees)	Total	%	Small Business (Employers with fewer than 20 employees)	Large Business (Employers with 20 or more employees)	Total	%	Small Business (Employers with fewer than 20 employees)	Large Business (Employers with 20 or more employees)	Total	%
Agriculture	2,894	1,833	4,727	1.4%	2,739	2,084	4,823	1.4%	2,616	2,165	4,781	1.3%
Automotive	328	29,114	29,442	8.7%	345	27,715	28,060	8.2%	398	32,129	32,527	9.1%
Chemical/Process	595	7,979	8,574	2.5%	629	8,631	9,260	2.7%	659	9,217	9,876	2.8%
Construction	10,826	10,874	21,700	6.4%	10,554	11,265	21,819	6.4%	10,771	12,590	23,361	6.5%
Education	84	4,034	4,118	1.2%	83	3,815	3,898	1.1%	100	3,389	3,489	1.0%
Electrical Utilities	362	1,190	1,552	0.5%	389	1,178	1,567	0.5%	324	1,207	1,531	0.4%
Food	896	10,568	11,464	3.4%	823	10,819	11,642	3.4%	772	12,043	12,815	3.6%
Forestry	597	2,888	3,485	1.0%	576	3,221	3,797	1.1%	609	3,532	4,141	1.2%
Health Care	655	20,110	20,765	6.1%	642	19,639	20,281	6.0%	529	21,091	21,620	6.0%
Manufacturing	11,208	65,261	76,469	22.5%	10,894	66,768	77,662	22.8%	10,467	69,647	80,114	22.4%
Mining	352	2,868	3,220	0.9%	374	2,744	3,118	0.9%	325	2,683	3,008	0.8%
Municipal	404	3,271	3,675	1.1%	309	3,313	3,622	1.1%	256	3,076	3,332	0.9%
Pulp and Paper	39	3,021	3,060	0.9%	60	2,734	2,794	0.8%	52	2,694	2,746	0.8%
Services	14,387	61,037	75,424	22.2%	14,200	63,217	77,417	22.8%	13,245	66,674	79,919	22.3%
Steel	314	9,396	9,710	2.9%	251	9,931	10,182	3.0%	282	9,858	10,140	2.8%
Transportation	3,806	17,794	21,600	6.4%	3,543	18,436	21,979	6.5%	3,487	20,487	23,974	6.7%
Subtotal	47,747	251,238	298,985	88.1%	46,411	255,510	301,921	88.7%	44,892	272,482	317,374	88.7%
Schedule 2	NA	40,491	40,491	11.9%	NA	38,283	38,283	11.3%	NA	40,530	40,530	11.3%
Grand Total	47,747	291,729	339,476	100.0%	46,411	293,793	340,204	100.0%	44,892	313,012	357,904	100.0%



Table 3: injuries and illnesses registered by claim status (1990 to 1999)

This table shows injury and illness numbers by claim status for each year. Claim status is as at March 31 of the following year.

Lost time claims are claims by workers who have lost wages as a result of temporary or permanent impairment. No lost time claims are claims by workers who have not lost wages as a result of temporary or permanent impairment. Abandoned claims are claims that were withdrawn by the worker, and claims that could not be substantiated by the WSIB. Denied claims are claims for injuries and illnesses that were not work related (denial based on cause), and claims by workers who were not covered under the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act* (denial based on status).

Status as at March 31 of the following year	Year of injury or illness															
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%
SCHEDULE 1																
Allowed Lost-Time	161,781	41%	133,492	38%	116,184	36%	105,885	34%	106,561	33%	101,589	31%	87,789	30%	86,641	29%
Allowed No Lost-Time	184,990	46%	174,263	49%	163,339	50%	160,999	51%	157,982	49%	164,913	51%	155,431	52%	151,789	51%
Not Allowed	45,809	11%	41,802	12%	42,070	13%	45,279	14%	53,938	17%	54,353	17%	50,786	17%	56,471	19%
Abandoned	37,980		33,651		32,954		35,774		43,857		43,345		40,432		47,362	
Denied	7,829		8,151		9,116		9,505		10,081		11,008		10,354		9,109	
Pending	5,795	1%	3,107	1%	3,311	1%	2,369	1%	3,360	1%	3,023	1%	2,329	1%	3,704	1%
Subtotal	398,375	100%	352,664	100%	324,904	100%	314,532	100%	321,841	100%	323,878	100%	296,335	100%	298,605	100%
SCHEDULE 2																
Allowed Lost-Time	22,663	44%	21,983	44%	20,756	43%	19,237	41%	19,083	40%	17,225	38%	15,291	37%	15,165	37%
Allowed No Lost-Time	20,780	41%	20,941	42%	20,235	42%	19,376	42%	19,040	40%	18,734	42%	17,470	42%	16,674	41%
Not Allowed	6,873	13%	6,843	14%	7,167	15%	7,550	16%	8,544	18%	8,434	19%	8,184	20%	8,266	20%
Abandoned	5,762		5,498		5,534		5,724		6,559		6,284		6,095		6,406	
Denied	1,111		1,345		1,633		1,826		1,985		2,150		2,089		1,860	
Pending	871	2%	573	1%	572	1%	472	1%	642	1%	592	1%	412	1%	766	2%
Subtotal	51,187	100%	50,340	100%	48,730	100%	46,635	100%	47,309	100%	44,985	100%	41,357	100%	40,871	100%
SCHEDULES 1 AND 2																
Allowed Lost-Time	184,444	41%	155,475	39%	136,940	37%	125,122	35%	125,644	34%	118,814	32%	103,080	31%	101,806	30%
Allowed No Lost-Time	205,770	46%	195,204	48%	183,574	49%	180,375	50%	177,022	48%	183,647	50%	172,901	51%	168,463	50%
Not Allowed	52,682	12%	48,645	12%	49,237	13%	52,829	15%	62,482	17%	62,787	17%	58,970	17%	64,737	19%
Abandoned	43,742		39,149		38,488		41,498		50,416		49,629		46,527		53,768	
Denied	8,940		9,496		10,749		11,331		12,066		13,158		12,443		10,969	
Pending	6,666	1%	3,680	1%	3,883	1%	2,841	1%	4,002	1%	3,615	1%	2,741	1%	4,470	1%
Total	449,562	100%	403,004	100%	373,634	100%	361,167	100%	369,150	100%	368,863	100%	337,692	100%	339,476	100%



Table 4: injuries and illnesses registered by claim status – matured data (1990 to 1999)

This table shows injury and illness numbers by claim status for each year. Claim status is as at 15 months after the end of the year in which the injury or illness occurred. 1999 data has been estimated based on prior experience and the probable disposition of new and pending claims.

Status as at March 31 of the second year after year of injury or illness	Year of Injury or Illness															
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%
SCHEDULE 1																
Allowed Lost-Time	165,139	41%	135,281	38%	118,390	36%	107,189	34%	108,876	34%	103,431	32%	89,406	30%	88,906	30%
Allowed No Lost-Time	186,484	47%	175,469	50%	164,007	50%	159,950	51%	158,431	49%	165,250	51%	155,710	52%	152,985	51%
Not Allowed	48,127	12%	42,969	12%	43,259	13%	45,728	15%	55,077	17%	55,315	17%	51,676	17%	57,882	19%
Abandoned	38,964		33,839		33,072		35,520		43,867		43,139		40,507		47,447	
Denied	9,163		9,130		10,187		10,208		11,210		12,176		11,169		10,435	
SCHEDULE 2																
Allowed Lost-Time	23,267	45%	22,499	44%	21,614	44%	20,834	42%	19,876	41%	18,027	39%	16,035	38%	15,762	38%
Allowed No Lost-Time	20,985	41%	21,239	42%	20,640	42%	21,053	42%	19,562	41%	19,407	42%	17,872	42%	16,838	41%
Not Allowed	7,103	14%	7,052	14%	7,339	15%	7,948	16%	8,776	18%	8,821	19%	8,397	20%	8,425	21%
Abandoned	5,748		5,493		5,523		5,885		6,544		6,345		6,098		6,266	
Denied	1,355		1,559		1,816		2,063		2,232		2,476		2,299		2,159	
SCHEDULES 1 AND 2																
Allowed Lost-Time	188,406	42%	157,780	39%	140,004	37%	128,023	35%	128,752	35%	121,458	33%	105,441	31%	104,668	31%
Allowed No Lost-Time	207,469	46%	196,708	49%	184,647	49%	181,003	50%	177,993	48%	184,657	50%	173,582	51%	169,823	50%
Not Allowed	55,230	12%	50,021	12%	50,598	13%	53,676	15%	63,853	17%	64,136	17%	60,073	18%	66,307	19%
Abandoned	44,712		39,332		38,595		41,405		50,411		49,484		46,605		53,713	
Denied	10,518		10,689		12,003		12,271		13,442		14,652		13,468		12,594	



DETAILED CLAIMS PROFILES

Tables 5 to 13

These tables include detailed analysis of allowed lost time injury and illness claims by year of injury or illness.

Complex claims can take some time to report and process. Data about injuries and illnesses in a given year continues to “mature” after the year has ended as more injuries and illnesses are reported and more claims are processed. The numbers presented for each year include all lost time claims allowed as at March 31 of the following year.

Since 1996, the WSIB has used the Z795 national coding standard to record injuries and diseases (that is, nature of injury or disease, part of body, event, and source of injury or disease). The National Occupational Classification (NOC) is used to classify workers’ occupations. Because coding and classification standards changed for 1996, 1996 and post-1996 data can not be compared with pre-1996 data. This is why tables 8 to 13 show data for only four years.



Table 5: lost-time claims by age group (1990 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by age group for each year as at March 31 of the following year.

Age Group	Year of injury or illness																			
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
15-19 years	8,685	4.7%	5,976	3.8%	4,663	3.4%	3,864	3.1%	4,242	3.4%	4,186	3.5%	3,415	3.3%	3,638	3.6%	4,157	4.3%	4,623	4.6%
20-24 years	23,608	12.8%	18,375	11.8%	15,269	11.2%	13,374	10.7%	13,924	11.1%	13,279	11.2%	11,320	11.0%	11,184	11.0%	10,963	11.3%	11,214	11.1%
25-29 years	30,651	16.6%	25,436	16.4%	21,768	15.9%	18,955	15.1%	18,271	14.5%	16,697	14.1%	13,795	13.4%	13,111	12.9%	12,099	12.4%	12,210	12.1%
30-34 years	27,332	14.8%	25,024	16.1%	23,090	16.9%	21,423	17.1%	21,806	17.4%	20,462	17.2%	17,297	16.8%	16,442	16.2%	14,884	15.3%	14,116	14.0%
35-39 years	22,023	11.9%	20,828	13.4%	19,557	14.3%	18,630	14.9%	18,696	14.9%	18,087	15.2%	16,294	15.8%	16,219	15.9%	15,669	16.1%	16,377	15.6%
40-44 years	18,888	10.2%	17,891	11.5%	16,207	11.8%	15,292	12.2%	15,350	12.2%	14,656	12.3%	13,298	12.9%	13,495	13.3%	13,249	13.6%	13,865	13.4%
45-49 years	13,746	7.5%	13,566	8.7%	12,998	9.5%	12,690	10.1%	12,837	10.2%	12,581	10.6%	11,076	10.7%	11,094	10.9%	10,470	10.8%	11,211	10.1%
50-54 years	11,474	6.2%	10,825	7.0%	10,018	7.3%	9,252	7.4%	9,460	7.5%	8,891	7.5%	7,955	7.7%	8,224	8.1%	8,020	8.3%	8,722	8.7%
55-59 years	8,923	4.8%	8,165	5.3%	7,458	5.4%	6,717	5.4%	6,604	5.3%	6,057	5.1%	5,308	5.1%	5,293	5.2%	4,931	5.1%	5,135	5.1%
60-64 years	4,879	2.6%	4,523	2.9%	4,136	3.0%	3,579	2.9%	3,384	2.7%	3,049	2.6%	2,571	2.5%	2,525	2.5%	2,369	2.4%	2,508	2.5%
65 years and over	737	0.4%	571	0.4%	538	0.4%	452	0.4%	448	0.4%	396	0.3%	334	0.3%	333	0.3%	318	0.3%	388	0.4%
Not available	13,498	7.3%	4,295	2.8%	1,238	0.9%	894	0.7%	622	0.5%	473	0.4%	417	0.4%	248	0.2%	61	0.1%	55	0.1%
Total	184,444	100%	155,475	100%	136,940	100%	125,122	100%	125,644	100%	118,814	100%	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%

Table 6: lost-time claims by gender (1990 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by gender for each year as at March 31 of the following year.

	Year of injury or illness																			
Gender	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Male	128,387	69.6%	110,859	71.3%	96,572	70.5%	88,143	70.4%	88,395	70.4%	83,242	70.1%	72,533	70.4%	71,160	69.9%	67,434	69.4%	68,186	68.1%
Female	47,654	25.8%	44,063	28.3%	40,312	29.4%	36,918	29.5%	37,098	29.5%	35,454	29.8%	30,413	29.5%	30,571	30.0%	29,707	30.6%	31,540	31.2%
Not available	8,403	4.6%	553	0.4%	56	0.0%	61	0.0%	151	0.1%	118	0.1%	134	0.1%	75	0.1%	49	0.1%	21	0.0%
Total	184,444	100%	155,475	100%	136,940	100%	125,122	100%	125,644	100%	118,814	100%	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%



Table 7: lost-time claims by industry sector (1990 to 1999)

In 1997, the WSIB organized its operations into 17 industry sectors (Schedule 2 is a separate industry sector). This table shows lost time claims by industry sector for each year as at March 31 of the following year.

Industry Sector	Year of injury or illness															
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%
Agriculture	2,125	1.4	2,434	1.6%	2,033	1.5	2,065	1.7%	1,947	1.5%	1,848	1.6%	1,667	1.6%	1,677	1.6%
Automotive	8,866	6.6	11,989	7.7%	11,262	8.2	10,397	8.3%	10,150	8.1%	10,039	8.4%	7,817	7.6%	7,582	7.4%
Chemical/Process	4,466	2.4	3,348	2.2%	2,796	2.0	2,775	2.2%	2,771	2.2%	2,592	2.2%	2,269	2.2%	2,204	2.2%
Construction	14,111	7.7	9,844	6.3%	7,382	5.4	6,086	4.9%	5,901	4.7%	5,195	4.4%	4,802	4.7%	4,930	4.8%
Education	4,331	2.3	4,288	2.8%	3,861	2.8	2,533	2.0%	2,256	1.8%	1,886	1.6%	1,557	1.5%	1,352	1.3%
Electrical/Utilities	2,005	0.5	667	0.4%	642	0.5%	567	0.5%	504	0.4%	455	0.4%	507	0.5%	436	0.4%
Food	1,664	4.1	6,359	4.1%	5,361	3.9	4,828	3.9%	4,839	3.9%	4,406	3.7%	3,647	3.5%	3,299	3.2%
Forestry	1,400	0.9	1,019	0.7%	886	0.6	954	0.8%	989	0.8%	1,016	0.9%	804	0.8%	773	0.8%
Health Care	11,509	6.1	11,215	7.2%	10,632	7.8	9,883	7.9%	9,549	7.6%	9,026	7.6%	7,763	7.5%	7,402	7.3%
Manufacturing	41,277	22.4	31,445	20.2%	25,720	18.8	22,717	18.2%	24,185	19.2%	23,945	20.2%	20,609	20.0%	20,580	20.2%
Mining	1,243	1.0	1,301	0.8%	943	0.7	754	0.6%	694	0.6%	707	0.6%	578	0.6%	537	0.5%
Municipal	1,560	1.3%	2,315	1.5	2,202	1.6	1,939	1.5%	1,678	1.3%	1,499	1.3%	1,156	1.1%	1,156	1.1%
Pulp and Paper	1,117	0.6%	937	0.6%	707	0.5	608	0.5%	557	0.4%	454	0.4%	410	0.4%	346	0.3%
Services	27,110	20.1%	32,939	21.2%	29,689	21.7	27,663	22.1%	28,711	22.9%	27,394	23.1%	24,214	23.5%	24,488	24.1%
Steel	1,507	1.9%	2,905	1.9%	2,274	1.7	2,057	1.6%	2,117	1.7%	1,949	1.6%	1,749	1.7%	1,710	1.7%
Transportation	11,764	6.4%	10,392	6.7%	9,541	7.0	8,821	7.0%	9,030	7.2%	8,644	7.3%	8,021	7.8%	8,287	8.1%
Schedule 2	22,776	12.3%	22,078	14.2%	21,009	15.3	20,475	16.4%	19,766	15.7%	17,759	14.9%	15,510	15.0%	15,047	14.8%
Total	184,444	100%	155,475	100%	136,940	100%	125,122	100%	125,644	100%	118,814	100%	103,080	100%	101,806	100%
															97,190	100%
																100,726



Table 8: lost-time claims by nature of injury and disease (1996 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by diagnoses of nature of injury and disease for each year as at March 31 of the following year. Diagnoses marked with an asterisk (*) include both traumatic and repetitive motion types of injuries and diseases. NEC stands for "not elsewhere classified."

Diagnosis/Description of Nature of Injury and Disease	Year of injury or disease							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Sprains and strains	43,925	42.6%	41,694	41.0%	39,100	40.2%	40,211	39.9
Bruises, contusions	12,530	12.2%	12,543	12.3%	11,327	11.7	11,615	11.5
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	8,805	8.5%	8,711	8.6%	8,847	9.1%	9,221	9.2
Fractures	6,535	6.3%	6,395	6.3%	6,342	6.5	6,726	6.7
Traumatic injuries, disorders, complications, unspecified, NEC	5,726	5.6%	5,951	5.8%	5,803	6.0%	6,039	6.0
Multiple traumatic injuries	3,018	2.9%	3,773	3.7%	3,267	3.4%	3,043	3.0
Abrasions, scratches and other superficial injuries	2,860	2.8%	2,725	2.7%	2,925	3.0	2,689	2.7
Back pain, hurt back	2,739	2.7%	2,980	2.9%	2,609	2.7%	2,631	2.6
Tendonitis *	2,550	2.5%	2,383	2.3%	2,134	2.2	2,350	2.3
Soreness, pain, hurt, except the back	1,721	1.7%	1,968	1.9%	1,627	1.7	1,935	1.9
Burn or scald (heat)	1,552	1.5%	1,518	1.5%	1,639	1.7	1,683	1.7
Dislocations	991	1.0%	988	1.0%	907	0.9	1,087	1.1
Hernia	984	1.0%	1,017	1.0%	946	1.0	931	0.9
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome *	800	0.8%	775	0.8%	683	0.7	812	0.8
Amputations or enucleations	758	0.7%	605	0.6%	723	0.7	799	0.8
Epicondylitis *	449	0.4%	794	0.8%	708	0.7%	792	0.8
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue, diseases and disorders unspecified, NEC	622	0.6%	590	0.6%	608	0.6	647	0.6
Signs and symptoms including contacts/carriers of disease	368	0.4%	425	0.4%	473	0.5	502	0.5
Concussions	390	0.4%	419	0.4%	466	0.5	491	0.5
Intervertebral herniated, slipped disc including disc syndrome	405	0.4%	389	0.4%	482	0.5	476	0.5
Crushing injuries	335	0.3%	415	0.4%	313	0.3	427	0.4
Poisonings, systemic	354	0.3%	393	0.4%	391	0.4	405	0.4
Sciatica	309	0.3%	359	0.4%	366	0.4	372	0.4
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders, including Dermatitis	317	0.3%	316	0.3%	338	0.3	335	0.3
Burns (chemical)	356	0.3%	337	0.3%	337	0.3	333	0.3
Bursitis *	442	0.4%	383	0.4%	347	0.4	332	0.3

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Table 8 (continued)

Diagnosis/Description of Nature of Injury and Disease	Year of injury or disease							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Avulsions	255	0.2%	272	0.3%	369	0.4%	330	0.3%
Welder's flash	270	0.3%	282	0.3%	370	0.4%	313	0.3%
Tenosynovitis *	162	0.2%	294	0.3%	273	0.3%	264	0.3%
Mental disorders or syndromes	231	0.2%	204	0.2%	210	0.2%	261	0.3%
Intracranial injuries excluding concussions	400	0.4%	306	0.3%	179	0.2%	259	0.3%
Rotator cuff tear *	184	0.2%	181	0.2%	266	0.3%	244	0.2%
Conjunctivitis	251	0.2%	222	0.2%	214	0.2%	198	0.2%
Infectious and parasitic diseases	188	0.2%	121	0.1%	161	0.2%	154	0.2%
Burns multiple, unspecified, NEC	144	0.1%	129	0.1%	175	0.2%	134	0.1%
Facet syndrome	104	0.1%	111	0.1%	156	0.2%	128	0.1%
Burns (electrical)	97	0.1%	83	0.1%	118	0.1%	115	0.1%
Respiratory system diseases	111	0.1%	85	0.1%	87	0.1%	107	0.1%
Electrocutions, electric shock	65	0.1%	64	0.1%	77	0.1%	94	0.1%
Disorders of the eye, adnexa, vision, unspecified, NEC	102	0.1%	90	0.1%	89	0.1%	87	0.1%
Disorders of ear including deafness	71	0.1%	46	0.0%	49	0.1%	61	0.1%
Ganglion *	51	0.0%	71	0.1%	60	0.1%	58	0.1%
Circulatory system diseases	50	0.0%	22	0.0%	30	0.0%	38	0.0%
Synovitis *	10	0.0%	33	0.0%	44	0.0%	35	0.0%
Myositis *	14	0.0%	38	0.0%	42	0.0%	31	0.0%
Freezing effects including frostbite	19	0.0%	9	0.0%	8	0.0%	31	0.0%
Mesothelioma	12	0.0%	9	0.0%	23	0.0%	23	0.0%
Heat and light effects including heat stroke, fatigue and syncope	16	0.0%	16	0.0%	13	0.0%	22	0.0%
Nervous system and sense organs diseases	16	0.0%	16	0.0%	26	0.0%	21	0.0%
Capsulitis *	20	0.0%	13	0.0%	15	0.0%	18	0.0%
Genitourinary system diseases and disorders	5	0.0%	4	0.0%	6	0.0%	12	0.0%
Neoplasms, tumors and cancer, excluding Mesothelioma	8	0.0%	7	0.0%	14	0.0%	9	0.0%
Air pressure effects including aero-otitis media	10	0.0%	8	0.0%	3	0.0%	6	0.0%
Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
Digestive system diseases	6	0.0%	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	2	0.0%
Non-personal damage	9	0.0%	7	0.0%	9	0.0%	6	0.0%
Diseases and disorders multiple, unspecified, NEC	87	0.1%	67	0.1%	50	0.1%	18	0.0%
Unknown	270	0.3%	147	0.1%	343	0.4%	761	0.8%
Total	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100



Table 9: lost-time claims by part of body affected (1996 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by part of body affected for each year as at March 31 of the following year. NEC stands for "not elsewhere classified."

Part of body affected	Year of injury or illness							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Back (including spine, spinal cord, neck)								
Lower (lumbar, sacral, coccygeal regions)	20,242	19.6%	18,977	18.6%	18,788	19.3%	19,649	19.5%
Upper (cervical, thoracic regions)	4,279	4.2%	4,184	4.1%	3,878	4.0%	4,353	4.3%
Multiple back regions	1,107	1.1%	1,418	1.4%	1,468	1.5%	1,534	1.5%
Back unspecified, NEC	6,266	6.1%	5,976	5.9%	5,040	5.2%	4,569	4.5%
Subtotal	31,894	30.9%	30,555	30.0%	29,174	30.0%	30,105	29.9%
Upper Extremities								
Finger(s), fingernail(s)	10,550	10.2%	10,510	10.3%	10,270	10.6%	10,499	10.4%
Hand(s), except finger(s)	4,405	4.3%	4,638	4.6%	4,430	4.6%	4,808	4.8%
Arm(s)	5,030	4.9%	4,926	4.8%	4,482	4.6%	4,714	4.7%
Wrist(s)	3,947	3.8%	3,812	3.7%	3,714	3.8%	4,162	4.1%
Upper extremities, unspecified, NEC	861	0.8%	793	0.8%	766	0.8%	741	0.7%
Subtotal	24,793	24.1%	24,679	24.2%	23,662	24.3%	24,924	24.7%
Lower Extremities								
Leg(s)	8,299	8.1%	8,573	8.4%	8,050	8.3%	8,475	8.4%
Ankle(s)	5,269	5.1%	5,347	5.3%	5,050	5.2%	5,343	5.3%
Foot(foot), except toe(s)	3,597	3.5%	3,675	3.6%	3,496	3.6%	3,545	3.5%
Toe(s), toenail(s)	975	0.9%	856	0.8%	798	0.8%	745	0.7%
Multiple lower extremities locations	484	0.5%	534	0.5%	481	0.5%	489	0.5%
Lower extremities unspecified, NEC	19	0.0%	58	0.1%	7	0.0%	19	0.0%
Subtotal	18,643	18.1%	19,043	18.7%	17,882	18.4%	18,616	18.5%

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Table 9 (continued)

Part of body affected	Year of injury or illness							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Trunk (excluding back)								
Shoulder	5,812	5.6%	5,668	5.6%	5,464	5.6%	5,802	5.8%
Pelvic region	2,366	2.3%	2,733	2.7%	2,449	2.5%	2,473	2.5%
Chest, including ribs, internal organs	2,062	2.0%	2,021	2.0%	1,835	1.9%	1,971	2.0%
Multiple trunk locations	870	0.8%	1,068	1.0%	987	1.0%	990	1.0%
Abdomen	537	0.5%	549	0.5%	471	0.5%	601	0.6%
Trunk, unspecified, NEC	65	0.1%	71	0.1%	78	0.1%	55	0.1%
Subtotal	11,712	11.4%	12,110	11.9%	11,284	11.6%	11,892	11.8%
Head								
Eye(s)	4,284	4.2%	4,219	4.1%	4,127	4.2%	3,792	3.8%
Cranial region, including skull	1,215	1.2%	1,305	1.3%	1,317	1.4%	1,696	1.7%
Face	1,120	1.1%	1,092	1.1%	1,107	1.1%	1,168	1.2%
Ear(s)	119	0.1%	103	0.1%	110	0.1%	118	0.1%
Multiple head locations	58	0.1%	41	0.0%	51	0.1%	39	0.0%
Head, unspecified, NEC	523	0.5%	527	0.5%	501	0.5%	239	0.2%
Subtotal	7,319	7.1%	7,287	7.2%	7,213	7.4%	7,052	7.0%
Multiple Body Parts	7,550	7.3%	7,032	6.9%	6,752	6.9%	6,393	6.3%
Body Systems	694	0.7%	700	0.7%	722	0.7%	811	0.8%
Other Body Parts incl. Unclassified, NEC	475	0.5%	400	0.4%	501	0.5%	933	0.9%
Total	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%



Table 10: lost-time claims by event (1996 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by event (the way in which the injury or illness occurred) for each year as at March 31 of the following year. NEC stands for “not elsewhere classified.”

Event	Year of injury or illness							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Bodily Reaction and Exertion								
Overexertion	30,089	29.2%	27,764	27.3%	24,567	25.3%	24,673	24.5%
Bodily reaction	12,043	11.7%	12,530	12.3%	11,571	11.9%	12,063	12.0%
Repetitive motion	4,134	4.0%	3,869	3.8%	3,663	3.8%	3,878	3.9%
Static posture and sustained viewing	125	0.1%	92	0.1%	80	0.1%	99	0.1%
Bodily reaction and exertion (combined), including unspecified, NEC	1,370	1.3%	2,465	2.4%	4,180	4.3%	4,535	4.5%
Subtotal	47,761	46.3%	46,720	45.9%	44,061	45.3%	45,248	44.9%
Contact with Objects and Equipment								
Struck by	15,554	15.1%	15,388	15.1%	15,312	15.8%	15,879	15.8%
Caught in or compressed by equipment or objects or collapsing material	5,750	5.6%	5,594	5.5%	5,525	5.7%	5,594	5.6%
Struck against	5,941	5.8%	5,768	5.7%	5,370	5.5%	5,511	5.5%
Rubbed or abraded by friction, pressure or jarred by vibration	894	0.9%	833	0.8%	1,057	1.1%	802	0.8%
Contact with objects and equipment unspecified, NEC	562	0.5%	911	0.9%	511	0.5%	580	0.6%
Subtotal	28,701	27.8%	28,494	28.0%	27,775	28.6%	28,366	28.2%
Falls								
Falls on same level	10,872	10.5%	11,365	11.2%	9,939	10.2%	11,067	11.0%
Falls/jump to lower level	6,060	5.9%	5,684	5.6%	5,663	5.8%	5,758	5.7%
Falls unspecified, NEC	66	0.1%	118	0.1%	128	0.1%	86	0.1%
Subtotal	16,998	16.5%	17,167	16.9%	15,730	16.2%	16,911	16.8%

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Table 10 (continued)

Event	Year of injury or illness							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Exposure to Harmful Substances or Environments								
Contact with temperature extremes	1,828	1.8%	1,720	1.7%	1,726	1.8%	1,820	1.8%
Exposure to caustic, noxious, or allergenic substances	1,546	1.5%	1,627	1.6%	1,784	1.8%	1,785	1.8%
Exposure to radiation	368	0.4%	426	0.4%	481	0.5%	403	0.4%
Contact with electric current	194	0.2%	151	0.1%	182	0.2%	179	0.2%
Exposure to noise	49	0.0%	35	0.0%	42	0.0%	49	0.0%
Exposure to air pressure changes	21	0.0%	28	0.0%	7	0.0%	16	0.0%
Exposure to harmful substances or environments, unspecified, NEC	125	0.1%	100	0.1%	115	0.1%	140	0.1%
Subtotal	4,131	4.0%	4,087	4.0%	4,337	4.5%	4,392	4.4%
Transportation Accidents								
Highway accidents	1,607	1.6%	1,458	1.4%	1,434	1.5%	1,565	1.6%
Non-highway accidents	1,114	1.1%	1,294	1.3%	1,259	1.3%	1,256	1.2%
Transportation accidents unspecified, NEC	38	0.0%	46	0.0%	22	0.0%	35	0.0%
Subtotal	2,759	2.7%	2,798	2.7%	2,715	2.8%	2,856	2.8%
Assaults and Violent Acts	1,537	1.5%	1,594	1.6%	1,530	1.6%	1,474	1.5%
Fires and Explosions								
Fire - unintended or uncontrolled	89	0.1%	122	0.1%	135	0.1%	128	0.1%
Explosion	140	0.1%	124	0.1%	124	0.1%	123	0.1%
Fire or explosion unspecified, NEC	4	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	5	0.0%
Subtotal	233	0.2%	246	0.2%	262	0.3%	256	0.3%
Other Events or Exposures								
Unknown/Unidentified	960	0.9%	700	0.7%	780	0.8%	1,223	1.2%
Total	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%



Table 11: lost-time claims by source of injury or disease (1996 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by source of injury or disease (the object, substance, exposure or bodily motion that brought about the injury or disease) for each year as at March 31 of the following year. NEC stands for "not elsewhere classified."

Source of injury or disease	Year of injury or disease							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Persons (bodily motion or condition)	22,444	21.8%	23,067	22.7%	22,837	23.5%	23,807	23.6%
Structures, (including walkways, floors and buildings)	17,847	17.3%	16,781	16.5%	14,523	14.9%	14,782	14.7%
Containers, boxes, barrels, packages (pressurized, non pressurized)	14,686	14.2%	14,009	13.8%	12,965	13.3%	13,346	13.2%
Parts and materials								
Building materials	4,530	4.4%	4,362	4.3%	4,297	4.4%	4,395	4.4%
Vehicle and mobile equipment parts	2,007	1.9%	1,983	1.9%	1,697	1.7%	1,676	1.7%
Machine tool and electric parts	1,489	1.4%	1,527	1.5%	1,273	1.3%	1,399	1.4%
Metal materials	1,697	1.6%	1,503	1.5%	1,410	1.5%	1,200	1.2%
Fasteners, connectors, ropes, ties	986	1.0%	1,040	1.0%	1,017	1.0%	1,020	1.0%
Hoisting accessories	83	0.1%	107	0.1%	95	0.1%	115	0.1%
Tars, sealants, caulking, insulating materials	96	0.1%	69	0.1%	84	0.1%	83	0.1%
Tarps and sheeting (non-metal)	87	0.1%	84	0.1%	51	0.1%	67	0.1%
Parts and materials unspecified, NEC	659	0.6%	569	0.6%	566	0.6%	780	0.8%
Subtotal	11,634	11.3%	11,244	11.0%	10,490	10.8%	10,735	10.7%
Machinery								
Metal woodworking and plastic, rubber concrete and other processing	2,313	2.2%	2,148	2.1%	2,364	2.4%	2,284	2.3%
Special process machinery (including food slicers, paper, printing, wrapping, sewing, pumps)	1,347	1.3%	1,271	1.2%	1,246	1.3%	1,313	1.3%
Heating, cooling and cleaning machinery	962	0.9%	858	0.8%	860	0.9%	848	0.8%
Conveyors	455	0.4%	396	0.4%	431	0.4%	468	0.5%
Agricultural, construction, logging and mining	503	0.5%	460	0.5%	425	0.4%	433	0.4%
Cranes, derricks, elevators, jacks and overhead hoists (excludes hoisting accessories)	465	0.5%	505	0.5%	407	0.4%	421	0.4%
Office and business machines	183	0.2%	167	0.2%	190	0.2%	172	0.2%
Miscellaneous machinery (including audio, video, televisions, telephones, snowblowers)	1,252	1.2%	1,113	1.1%	951	1.0%	992	1.0%
Machinery, unspecified, NEC	458	0.4%	619	0.6%	637	0.7%	692	0.7%
Subtotal	7,938	7.7%	7,537	7.4%	7,511	7.7%	7,623	7.6%
Vehicles								
Highway vehicle	3,448	3.3%	3,174	3.1%	3,169	3.3%	3,289	3.3%
Plant and industrial vehicles, tractors	2,917	2.8%	2,800	2.8%	2,721	2.8%	2,897	2.9%
Air, water, rail vehicles	220	0.2%	206	0.2%	190	0.2%	205	0.2%
Vehicles, unspecified, NEC	88	0.1%	112	0.1%	102	0.1%	129	0.1%
Subtotal	6,673	6.5%	6,292	6.2%	6,182	6.4%	6,520	6.5%

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Table 11 (continued)

Source of injury or disease	Year of injury or disease							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Other tools, instruments, equipment								
Hand tools, non-powered	3,798	3.7%	3,722	3.7%	3,674	3.8%	3,883	3.9 ^a _b
Hand tools, powered	1,174	1.1%	1,057	1.0%	930	1.0%	937	0.9 ^a _b
Ladders	264	0.3%	276	0.3%	233	0.2%	235	0.2 ^a _b
Hand tools, power not determined	568	0.6%	409	0.4%	301	0.3%	231	0.2 ^a _b
Recreation and athletic equipment	227	0.2%	221	0.2%	231	0.2%	205	0.2 ^a _c
Medical and surgical instruments	45	0.0%	47	0.0%	69	0.1%	81	0.1 ^a _b
Protective equipment, except clothing	28	0.0%	16	0.0%	21	0.0%	29	0.0 ^a _b
Photographic equipment	28	0.0%	25	0.0%	34	0.0%	25	0.0 ^a _d
Other tools, instruments, equipment, unspecified, NEC	798	0.8%	768	0.8%	873	0.9%	819	0.8 ^a _b
Subtotal	6,930	6.7%	6,541	6.4%	6,366	6.6%	6,445	6.4%
Furniture and fixtures	3,550	3.4%	3,498	3.4%	3,321	3.4%	3,328	3.3%
Scrap, waste, debris	2,753	2.7%	2,475	2.4%	2,410	2.5%	2,194	2.2%
Chemicals and chemical products	1,331	1.3%	1,302	1.3%	1,330	1.4%	1,304	1.3%
Food products	791	0.8%	791	0.8%	777	0.8%	847	0.8%
Steam, vapour, liquids, NEC	489	0.5%	468	0.5%	506	0.5%	500	0.5%
Plants, trees, vegetation	450	0.4%	433	0.4%	482	0.5%	437	0.4%
Animals and animal products	372	0.4%	320	0.3%	344	0.4%	337	0.3%
Minerals, metallic and non-metallic	325	0.3%	264	0.3%	289	0.3%	300	0.3%
Fire, flame and smoke	261	0.3%	304	0.3%	286	0.3%	266	0.3%
Paper, books and magazines	208	0.2%	231	0.2%	194	0.2%	185	0.2%
Apparel and textiles	226	0.2%	232	0.2%	218	0.2%	179	0.2%
Infectious and parasitic agents	164	0.2%	135	0.1%	143	0.1%	152	0.2%
Atmospheric and environmental conditions (including weather)	81	0.1%	79	0.1%	66	0.1%	93	0.1%
Noise	51	0.0%	37	0.0%	42	0.0%	50	0.0%
Temperature extremes (heat, cold) environmental	33	0.0%	29	0.0%	27	0.0%	44	0.0%
Air pressure	24	0.0%	29	0.0%	9	0.0%	10	0.0%
Other sources, unclassified, NEC	2,264	2.2%	2,897	2.8%	2,818	2.9%	2,933	2.9%
Unknown	1,555	1.5%	2,811	2.8%	3,054	3.1%	4,309	4.3%
Total	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%



Table 12: lost-time claims by occupation (1996 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by worker's occupation for each year as at March 31 of the following year.

Occupation	Year of injury or illness							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Transport, equipment operators and related	30,607	29.7%	29,767	29.2%	28,774	29.6%	29,303	29.1%
Sales and service	23,088	22.4%	22,750	22.3%	21,702	22.3%	22,329	22.2%
Processing and manufacturing machine operators and assemblers	14,096	13.7%	13,423	13.2%	12,216	12.6%	12,899	12.8%
Labourers in processing, manufacturing and utilities	8,129	7.9%	8,918	8.8%	9,313	9.6%	9,940	9.9%
Clerical occupations	5,880	5.7%	5,662	5.6%	5,498	5.7%	6,114	6.1%
Health services	5,829	5.7%	5,588	5.5%	5,545	5.7%	5,381	5.3%
Social science, education, government services and religion	2,902	2.8%	2,875	2.8%	2,471	2.5%	2,500	2.5%
Contractors, agriculture, horticulture and aquaculture	1,636	1.6%	1,503	1.5%	1,528	1.6%	1,471	1.5%
Managerial, administrative and related (including legislators and senior government officials)	1,741	1.7%	1,495	1.5%	1,341	1.4%	1,357	1.3%
Natural and applied sciences	1,357	1.3%	1,199	1.2%	1,213	1.2%	1,242	1.2%
Skilled administrative and business occupations	775	0.8%	770	0.8%	662	0.7%	679	0.7%
Art, culture, recreation and sport	504	0.5%	461	0.5%	466	0.5%	524	0.5%
Processing, manufacturing and utilities, supervisors and skilled operators	462	0.4%	438	0.4%	423	0.4%	424	0.4%
Logging and forestry	313	0.3%	257	0.3%	281	0.3%	259	0.3%
Mining, oil and gas	323	0.3%	330	0.3%	267	0.3%	237	0.2%
Business and finance	116	0.1%	89	0.1%	100	0.1%	106	0.1%
Fishing, hunting, and trapping	22	0.0%	26	0.0%	16	0.0%	22	0.0%
Occupation not stated	5,300	5.1%	6,255	6.1%	5,374	5.5%	5,939	5.9%
Total	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%



Table 13: lost-time claims by Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) (1996 to 1999)

This table shows lost time claims by the industry in which the worker was employed, based on the 1980 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC), for each year as at March 31 of the following year. Because these numbers are based on a different classification standard, they can not be compared to the numbers in table 7. Schedule 2 employers, for whom SIC codes are unavailable, are included in the "unclassified and unidentified" category.

Industry	Year of injury or illness							
	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Manufacturing	32,996	32.0%	32,140	31.6%	30,653	31.5%	32,383	32.1%
Retail trade	11,546	11.2%	11,413	11.2%	10,759	11.1%	10,932	10.9%
Wholesale trade	9,026	8.8%	8,648	8.5%	8,062	8.3%	8,700	8.6%
Health and social services	7,938	7.7%	7,657	7.5%	7,308	7.5%	7,090	7.0%
Transportation, communication and other utilities	7,011	6.8%	7,294	7.2%	6,810	7.0%	7,070	7.0%
Accommodation, food and beverage services	6,319	6.1%	6,341	6.2%	6,264	6.4%	6,478	6.4%
Construction	8,887	8.6%	8,158	8.0%	7,398	7.6%	5,613	5.6%
Government	5,511	5.3%	5,554	5.5%	5,526	5.7%	5,610	5.6%
Finance	2,826	2.7%	3,333	3.3%	3,748	3.9%	3,795	3.8%
Other services	4,250	4.1%	4,006	3.9%	3,133	3.2%	2,739	2.7%
Other services	1,957	1.9%	1,914	1.9%	1,991	2.0%	2,150	2.1%
Agriculture	1,150	1.1%	1,189	1.2%	1,148	1.2%	1,059	1.1%
Personal and household services	921	0.9%	926	0.9%	915	0.9%	901	0.9%
Finance, insurance and real estate	651	0.6%	654	0.6%	596	0.6%	601	0.6%
Mining (including milling, quarrying, oil well)	522	0.5%	486	0.5%	457	0.5%	442	0.4%
Logging and forestry	316	0.3%	280	0.3%	272	0.3%	305	0.3%
Membership organizations	144	0.1%	156	0.2%	132	0.1%	128	0.1%
Fishing and trapping	18	0.0%	29	0.0%	19	0.0%	33	0.0%
Unclassified and unidentified	1,091	1.1%	1,628	1.6%	1,999	2.1%	4,697	4.7%
Total	103,080	100%	101,806	100%	97,190	100%	100,726	100%



OCCUPATIONAL FATALITY CLAIMS

Tables 14 and 15

These tables and graphs show claims made in connection with occupational fatalities. They show numbers based on the year in which claims were registered, and the year in which claims were allowed. These tables do not show the year in which the fatalities occurred.

Occupational fatality claims are divided into the following mutually exclusive categories:

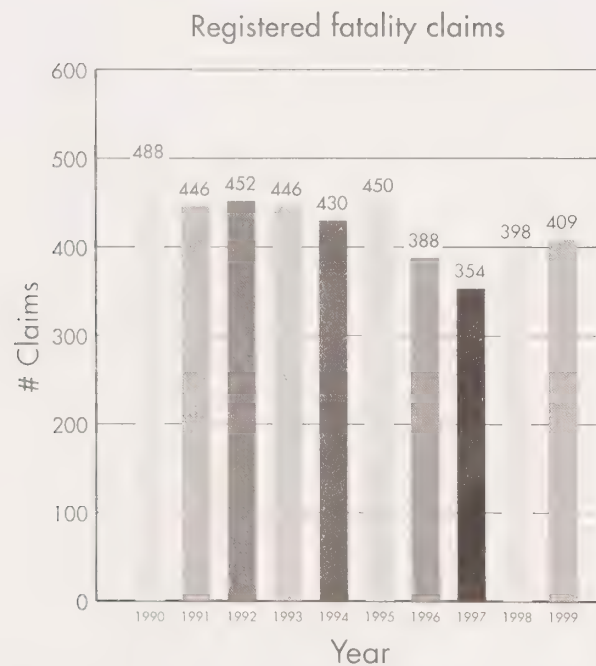
- Fatalities due to occupational disease
- Fatalities due to traumatic accidents (an accident at work resulted in the worker's death)
- Fatalities that occurred while the person was receiving a 100% permanent disability pension from the WSIB



Table 14: occupational fatality claims by year registered (1990 to 1999)

This table and these graphs show occupational fatality claims registered for each year.

	Year registered																			
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Occupational diseases	256	52%	207	46%	238	53%	256	57%	237	55%	261	58%	192	49%	199	56%	218	55%	239	58%
Traumatic accidents	185	38%	178	40%	144	32%	122	27%	107	25%	119	26%	119	31%	88	25%	114	29%	105	26%
100% pensions	47	10%	61	14%	70	15%	68	15%	86	20%	70	16%	77	20%	67	19%	66	17%	65	16%
Total	488	100%	446	100%	452	100%	446	100%	430	100%	450	100%	388	100%	354	100%	398	100%	409	100%



1999 registered fatality claims by category

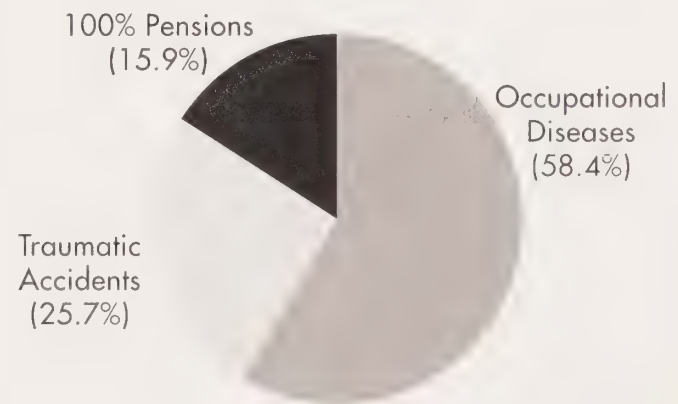
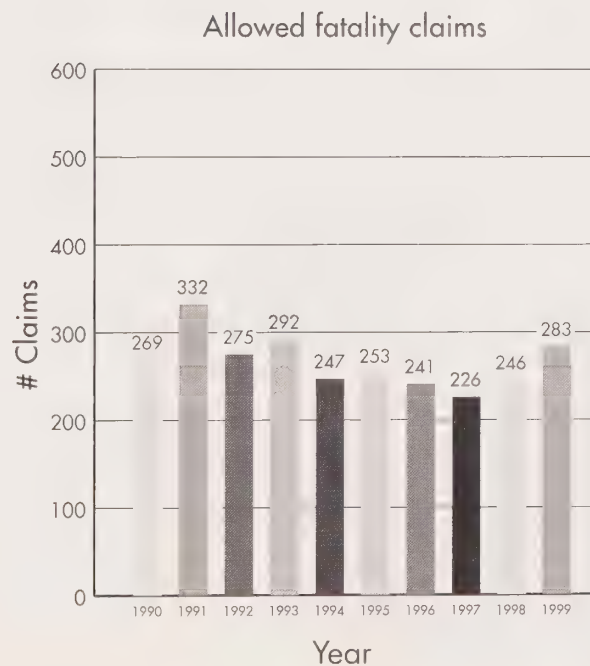


Table 15: occupational fatality claims by year allowed (1990 to 1999)

This table and these graphs show occupational fatality claims allowed for each year.

	Year allowed																			
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Occupational diseases	77	29%	120	36%	109	40%	111	38%	85	34%	103	41%	83	34%	94	42%	91	37	134	47
Traumatic accidents	147	55%	146	44%	109	40%	100	34%	76	31%	76	30%	82	34%	64	28%	88	36	85	30
100% pensions	45	17%	66	20%	57	21%	81	28%	86	35%	74	29%	76	32%	68	30%	67	27	64	23
Total	269	100%	332	100%	275	100%	292	100%	247	100%	253	100%	241	100%	226	100%	246	100%	283	100%



ESTIMATED DURATION OF SHORT-TERM BENEFITS

Table 16

This table shows the estimated duration of short-term benefits for the years 1990 to 1999. It uses a composite measure of the average duration of short term benefits. This composite measure, which has been a Canadian reporting standard since 1994, uses short-term benefit days paid in the current year to estimate the average duration of benefits over the life of a claim.

Prior to 1998, injured workers were transferred to Future Economic Loss (FEL) benefits after short-term benefits had been paid for 12 months. FEL benefits are not included in Table 16. Under the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act*, there is only one type of wage loss benefit, which is referred to as a Loss of Earnings (LOE) benefit. All LOE benefits approved after the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act* came into effect (on January 1, 1998) are included in this table.

The number of days for which short-term benefits are paid is shown by year of injury or illness. Numbers for each year are separated into four components:

- Benefit days paid in the current year for injuries and illnesses that happened in the current year, divided by the number of lost-time injuries and illnesses in that year – an estimate of average duration in the year of injury or illness;
- Benefit days paid in the current year for injuries and illnesses that happened in the first year prior to the current year, divided by the number of lost-time injuries and illnesses in that year – an estimate of average duration in the first year after the year of injury or illness;
- Benefit days paid in the current year for injuries and illnesses that happened two years prior, divided by the number of lost-time injuries and illnesses in that year – an estimate of average duration in the second year after the year of injury or illness; and
- Benefit days paid in the current year for injuries and illnesses that happened three or more years prior, divided by the number of lost-time injuries or illnesses in those years – an estimate of average duration in the third year and subsequent years after the year of injury or illness.

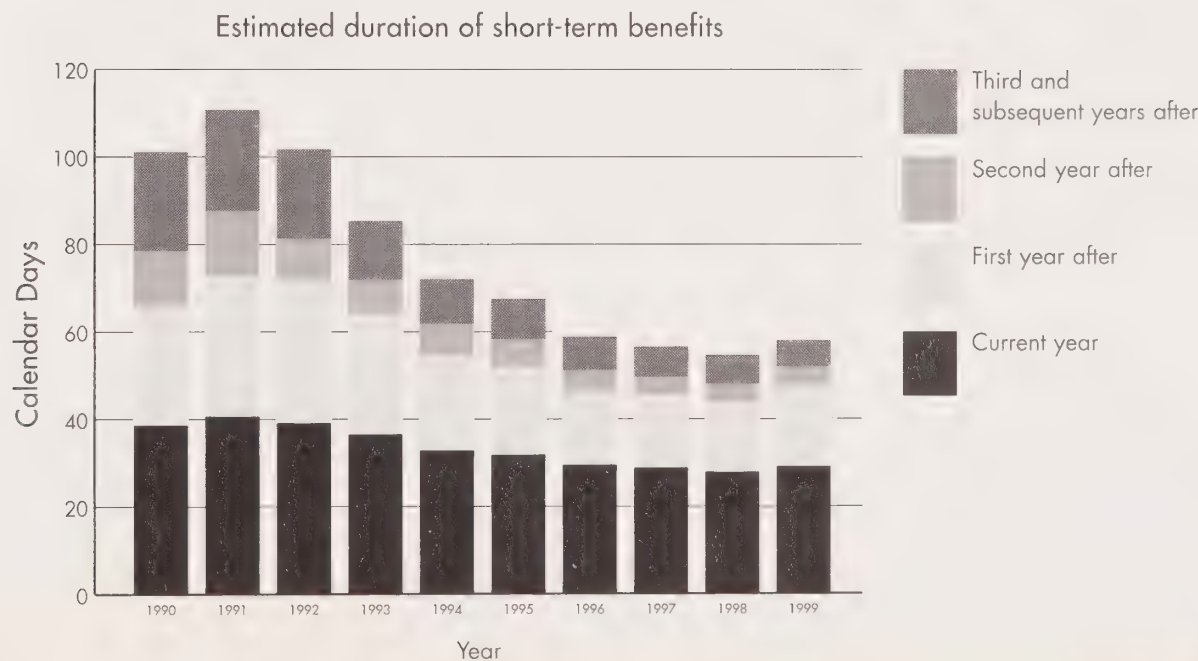
Data for 1999 has been matured one year into the future.



Table 16: estimated duration of short-term benefits (1990 to 1999)

This table and this graph show estimated duration of short-term benefits by year as at 15 months after the end of each year shown. Due to rounding, the estimated lifetime duration figure may not be equal to the sum of the current, first, second, third and subsequent year duration figures.

Average duration components	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Current year	38.7	40.7	39.2	36.6	32.9	31.9	29.6	28.9	27.9	29.2
First year after	27.2	32.1	32.5	27.7	21.7	20.3	16.7	16.5	15.9	18.4
Second year after	12.6	14.9	9.6	7.6	7.2	6.1	4.9	4.2	4.2	4.4
Third and subsequent years after	22.6	23.1	20.5	13.5	10.3	9.3	7.7	7.0	6.7	6.0
Estimated lifetime duration (days)	101.1	110.8	101.8	85.4	72.0	67.6	58.9	56.5	54.7	58.0



FUTURE ECONOMIC LOSS (FEL) AWARDS

Table 17

This table shows active Future Economic Loss (FEL) awards by percentage of wage loss, and active supplements. Benefits for future economic loss of earnings are awarded under section 43 of the *Workers' Compensation Act*. These benefits relate to injuries and illnesses that occurred between January 2, 1990 and December 31, 1997. Workers who receive short term benefits for 12 months and workers who are permanently impaired are entitled to FEL benefits.

The amount of the WSIB payment is 90% of the difference between the worker's net average pre-injury-or-illness earnings and the net average earnings that the worker is earning, or is considered likely to be able to earn in the future. Workers who are cooperating with WSIB-authorized Early and Safe Return to Work (ESRTW), Labour Market Re-entry (LMR), or medical rehabilitation programs are also entitled to FEL supplements.



Table 17: active Future Economic Loss (FEL) awards by percentage of wage loss and active supplements (1991 to 1999)

This table shows Future Economic Loss (FEL) awards active at the end of each year by percentage of wage loss, and supplements active at the end of each year.

FEL awards																		
Percentage of Wage Loss	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
0.01 - 9.99%	1,258	30.4%	4,361	29.2%	6,164	28.9%	4,156	18.0%	2,809	11.3%	2,384	8.6%	2,104	7.4%	1,959	6.7%	1,690	6.0%
10.00 - 19.99%	508	12.3%	1,846	12.4%	2,580	12.1%	3,188	13.8%	3,711	14.9%	4,234	15.3%	4,284	15.1%	4,532	15.5%	4,466	15.9%
20.00 - 29.99%	578	14.0%	2,188	14.7%	3,135	14.7%	3,803	16.5%	4,415	17.8%	5,053	18.2%	5,271	18.6%	5,558	19.0%	5,395	19.2%
30.00 - 39.99%	495	12.0%	2,070	13.9%	3,105	14.6%	3,883	16.8%	4,628	18.6%	5,307	19.1%	5,333	18.9%	5,439	18.6%	5,147	18.3%
40.00 - 49.99%	417	10.1%	1,670	11.2%	2,522	11.8%	3,147	13.6%	3,628	14.6%	4,196	15.1%	4,177	14.8%	4,144	14.1%	3,787	13.4%
50.00 - 99.99%	418	10.1%	1,553	10.4%	2,195	10.3%	2,610	11.3%	2,895	11.6%	3,109	11.2%	2,883	10.2%	2,796	9.5%	2,604	9.2%
100%	468	11.3%	1,240	8.3%	1,632	7.7%	2,312	10.0%	2,767	11.1%	3,468	12.5%	4,239	15.0%	4,872	16.6%	5,077	18.0%
Total	4,142	100%	14,928	100%	21,333	100%	23,099	100%	24,853	100%	27,751	100%	28,291	100%	29,300	100%	28,166	100%

Supplements																		
	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Total	2,153	100%	6,440	100%	7,349	100%	6,824	100%	6,653	100%	7,025	100%	5,774	100%	4,274	100%	2,959	100%



NON-ECONOMIC LOSS (NEL) AWARDS

Table 18

This table shows the number of Non-Economic Loss (NEL) awards by percentage of permanent impairment. Benefits for non-economic loss are awarded under section 42 of the *Workers' Compensation Act* and section 46 of the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act*. NEL benefits relate to injuries and illnesses that occurred after January 1, 1990. Workers who suffer permanent impairment due to workplace injuries or illnesses are entitled to NEL benefits.

Workers are eligible for NEL benefits if they reach maximum medical rehabilitation and permanent impairment is considered likely. A worker reaches maximum medical rehabilitation when there is unlikely to be any further significant improvement in his or her medical condition. A medical assessment is then conducted to determine the level of impairment, which is expressed as a percentage.

The first NEL benefits were awarded in April 1992.



Table 18: Non-Economic Loss (NEL) awards by percentage of permanent impairment (1992 to 1999)

This table shows the number of Non-Economic Loss (NEL) awards made during each year by percentage of permanent impairment.

NEL awards																	
Percentage of permanent impairment	Year of award																
	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996		1997		1998		1999		
	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	Number of NEL Awards	%	
0.01 - 5.00%	2,181	25.3%	4,331	24.9%	6,896	29.4%	3,731	26.4%	4,015	26.0%	3,294	26.9%	2,611	25.4%	2,320	23.5%	
5.01 - 10.00%	2,026	23.5%	4,029	23.1%	6,191	26.4%	3,173	22.4%	3,371	21.8%	2,795	22.8%	2,359	23.0%	2,391	24.3%	
10.01 - 15.00%	1,635	19.0%	3,457	19.9%	4,293	18.3%	2,428	17.2%	2,778	18.0%	2,119	17.3%	1,817	17.7%	1,780	18.1%	
15.01 - 20.00%	1,335	15.5%	2,636	15.1%	2,979	12.7%	1,884	13.3%	2,043	13.2%	1,514	12.4%	1,332	13.0%	1,268	12.9%	
20.01 - 25.00%	852	9.9%	1,700	9.8%	1,574	6.7%	1,460	10.3%	1,606	10.4%	1,179	9.6%	981	9.6%	965	9.8%	
25.01 - 30.00%	330	3.8%	742	4.3%	768	3.3%	774	5.5%	845	5.5%	665	5.4%	551	5.4%	504	5.1%	
30.01 - 40.00%	170	2.0%	344	2.0%	467	2.0%	435	3.1%	503	3.3%	423	3.5%	344	3.4%	363	3.7%	
40.01 - 60.00%	44	0.5%	91	0.5%	163	0.7%	158	1.1%	199	1.3%	154	1.3%	147	1.4%	160	1.6%	
60.01 - 99.99%	3	0.0%	39	0.2%	35	0.1%	43	0.3%	44	0.3%	57	0.5%	53	0.5%	44	0.4%	
100%	31	0.4%	44	0.3%	57	0.2%	56	0.4%	60	0.4%	57	0.5%	71	0.7%	63	0.6%	
Total	8,607	100%	17,413	100%	23,423	100%	14,142	100%	15,464	100%	12,257	100%	10,266	100%	9,858	100%	



PERIODIC PENSIONS AND SUPPLEMENTS

Tables 19 and 20

These tables show pension awards and active pensions by percentage of permanent disability; and supplement awards and active supplements. Supplementary payments shown are broken down as follows:

- Section 147(4): supplements awarded to workers who are not likely to benefit from a Labour Market Re-entry (LMR) plan; or whose earning capacity has not increased sufficiently after an LMR program. The supplement is paid until the worker is eligible for federal old age security benefits.
- Section 147(2): supplements awarded to workers who are likely to benefit from an LMR plan (which would enable them to approximate their pre-injury-or-illness earnings).
- Section 147(14): additional payments awarded to workers who have been awarded a supplement under section 147(4); or who would have been receiving the supplement had they not become eligible for federal old age security benefits.

Figures exclude lump sum awards and reassessments. These tables do not indicate the number of workers receiving pensions and/or supplements because pensioners can receive more than one award, or have more than one pension active, in a single year.



Table 19: periodic pensions awarded by percentage of permanent disability and supplements awarded (1990 to 1999)

This table shows the number of periodic pensions awarded in each year by percentage of permanent disability. It also shows supplements awarded by year. A large number of supplements were awarded in 1995 due to an amendment to the *Workers' Compensation Act* (section 147(14)) that provides for an additional supplementary payment for many pension recipients.

Life and provisional periodic pension awards														
Percentage of disability	Year of award													
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%
10.0% or less	8,774	48%	7,903	51%	5,488	51%	3,312	59%	1,761	60%	1,089	63%	822	64%
10.1 - 20.0%	6,663	36%	5,773	37%	4,060	38%	1,768	31%	902	31%	511	29%	369	29%
20.1 - 50.0%	2,368	13%	1,616	10%	1,106	10%	499	9%	254	9%	120	7%	81	6%
50.1 - 99.9%	291	2%	126	1%	77	1%	47	1%	25	1%	13	1%	3	0%
100%	224	1%	80	1%	37	0%	30	1%	8	0%	8	0%	1	0%
Total	18,320	100%	15,498	100%	10,768	100%	5,656	100%	2,950	100%	1,741	100%	1,276	100%

Supplements														
	Year of award													
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%
Section 147(4)	20,889	80%	8,542	61%	5,394	51%	2,813	52%	1,674	56%	1,721	3%	1,301	36%
Section 147(2)	5,168	20%	5,359	39%	5,084	49%	2,612	48%	1,314	44%	958	2%	572	16%
Section 147(14)											51,378	95%	1,713	48%
Total	26,057	100%	13,901	100%	10,478	100%	5,425	100%	2,988	100%	54,057	100%	3,586	100%



Table 20: active periodic pensions by percentage of permanent disability and active supplements (1990 to 1999)

This table shows the number of periodic pension awards active at the end of each year by percentage of permanent disability. It also shows active supplements by year. Supplements under section 147(14) of the *Workers' Compensation Act* became active in 1995 when the Act was amended.

Life and provisional periodic pension awards																				
Percentage of disability	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
10.0% or less	67,328	45%	70,927	44%	73,928	44%	74,569	43%	74,005	43%	72,751	43%	71,239	42%	69,847	42%	68,227	42%	66,623	42%
10.1 - 20.0%	56,533	37%	61,651	38%	65,393	39%	66,589	39%	66,718	39%	66,321	39%	65,628	39%	64,861	39%	63,889	39%	62,863	39%
20.1 - 30.0%	14,712	10%	15,994	10%	17,176	10%	17,690	10%	17,872	10%	17,952	11%	17,988	11%	17,958	11%	17,945	11%	17,846	11%
30.1 - 50.0%	7,210	5%	7,729	5%	8,061	5%	8,264	5%	8,362	5%	8,351	5%	8,331	5%	8,292	5%	8,237	5%	8,267	5%
50.1% or more	4,982	3%	4,787	3%	4,893	3%	4,962	3%	4,919	3%	4,891	3%	4,825	3%	4,751	3%	4,702	3%	4,662	3%
Total	150,765	100%	161,088	100%	169,451	100%	172,074	100%	171,876	100%	170,266	100%	168,011	100%	165,709	100%	163,000	100%	160,261	100%

Supplements																				
	1990	%	1991	%	1992	%	1993	%	1994	%	1995	%	1996	%	1997	%	1998	%	1999	%
Section 147(4)	33,501	93%	35,681	87%	35,926	86%	35,343	88%	31,556	90%	31,246	38%	30,539	37%	29,255	36%	27,859	36%	26,218	35%
Section 147(2)	2,558	7%	5,103	13%	5,708	14%	4,757	12%	3,626	10%	2,819	3%	2,100	3%	1,413	2%	673	1%	410	1%
Section 147(14)											49,179	59%	49,667	60%	49,764	62%	49,597	63%	49,020	65%
Total	36,059	100%	40,784	100%	41,634	100%	40,100	100%	35,182	100%	83,244	100%	82,306	100%	80,432	100%	78,129	100%	75,648	100%





